In the Claims

Please amend claims 1-20 as follows:

In claim 1, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "1)", and replace it with --1.--.

In claim 2, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "2)", and replace it with --2.--.

In claim 3, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "3)", and replace it with --3.--.

In claim 4, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "4)", and replace it with --4.--.

In claim 5, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "5)", and replace it with --5.--.

In claim 6, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "6)", and replace it with --6.--.

In claim 7, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "7)", and replace it with --7.--.

In claim 8, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "8)", and replace it with --8.--.

In claim 9, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "9)", and replace it with --9.--.

In claim 10, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "10)", and replace it with --10.--.

In claim 11, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "11)", and replace it with --11.--.

In claim 12, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "12)", and replace it with --12.--.

In claim 13, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "13)", and replace it with --13.--.

In claim 14, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "14)", and replace it with --14.--.

In claim 15, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "15)", and replace it with --15.--.

In claim 16, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "16)", and replace it with --16.--.

In claim 17, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "17)", and

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replace it with --17.--.

In claim 18, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "18)", and replace it with --18.--.

In claim 19, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "19)", and replace it with --19.--.

In claim 20, at the beginning of the claim, please delete "20)", and replace it with --20.--.